

Norman W. Helmer, 73

Norman W. Helmer, 73, Gilbert, Ariz., died Tuesday, July 15, 2008 near his home. Funeral arrangements are pending.

Norman Willard Helmer was born August 8, 1934 to Henry and Mabel (Wilmsen) Helmer, Andover, SD. He attended and graduated from Andover High School.

He married Shirley Affield, October 7, 1956 in Minnesota. They made their home for a few years in Andover. The lived in California and then Gilbert, Arizona for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley, Gilbert, Ariz.; four sons, Jon Helmer, Andover, SD; Mark Helmer, Mesa, Ariz.; Brian Helmer, Minnesota, and Craig Helmer, Minneapolis; two brothers, Richard Helmer, Andover, SD, and Donald Helmer, Cibolo, Texas; three sisters, Beatrice Tobin, Aberdeen; Barbara Guthmiller, Sioux Falls, and Joyce Skiles, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Leon Helmer and Orville Helmer; and one sister, Dorothy Sundermeyer.